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primarily...or this amendment is LB 861 with the only exception of the county fix of the \$2 to \$5, waiving that portion of the increase if they cannot collect their fees. Thank you, Mr. President. I'd be happy to answer any questions.

SENATOR COORDSEN: Thank you, Senator Kristensen. You've heard the opening on AM3183. There are no further lights on. Did you wish to say anything in closing?

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: I would waive closing, but certainly would answer any questions later. Thank you.

SENATOR COORDSEN: Thank you. Thank you, Senator Kristensen. Closing is waived. The question before the body is the adoption of AM3183 to the Judiciary Committee amendments. Those in favor please vote aye, those opposed nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: 25 ayes, 0 mays on the adoption of the amendment to the committee amendments.

SENATOR COORDSEN: AM3183 is adopted. Anything further on the bill?

ASSISTANT CLERK: I have nothing further pending to the committee amendments, Mr. President.

SENATOR COORDSEN: Thank you. The question before the body is the adoption of the committee amendments. To speak to that, Senator Raikes, please.

SENATOR RAIKES: Thank you, Mr. President. Members, I have a question that I'd like to address to Senator Brashear, particularly on the issue of moving from code proceedings...or pleadings, excuse me, to notice pleadings. Senator, it sounds like what we're doing there is going from a system whereby, before you sue someone, you have to carefully spell out what it is you're suing them about, what are exactly your charges and what they are to defend themselves against, to a system in which you can just sort of vaguely say you're going to do a lawsuit and not be detailed about it. Explain to me why that is going from bad to good.